

Antares Draco

"Do you understand?"
"No, sire. But I will obey."
—Roan Fel and Antares Draco

Antares Draco was a **Human male** who led the **Imperial Knights** during the **Second Imperial Civil War**. A skilled **pilot** and **lightsaber duelist**, Draco was fiercely loyal to and willing to **die** for **Roan Fel**, **Emperor** of the **Galactic Empire** and later the **Empire-in-exile**. Draco was trained in the ways of **the Force** by Master **Eshkar Niin**, and was an Imperial Knight as early as **130 ABY** at the **conclusion** of the **Sith–Imperial War**, when he fled the **Imperial capital** with Fel as the **Sith Lord Darth Krayt** seized control of the Empire and **the galaxy**, declaring a **new order** and driving Fel's forces into **exile**. When Eshkar Niin deserted the Imperial Knights, Draco was sent to kill him and **left him** mortally wounded after Niin murdered Fel's wife, the Empress **Elliah**. Draco continued to serve the Emperor, eventually becoming an Imperial Knight Master and the leader of the Order. In **137 ABY**, he accompanied Fel as the Emperor **retook** the **world** of **Bastion** and established a **fortress world** from which he could assault Krayt's forces.

When Draco learned that Fel's daughter **Marasiah** was being pursued by Krayt's **Sith** agents on **Vendaxa**, he defied the Emperor's orders to not mount a rescue attempt, and brought his trusted friend **Ganner Krieg** to the world in an attempt to **rescue** the woman he loved from the **Sith's** clutches. Escaping the planet on the **Mynock**, a **ship** belonging to the **bounty hunter Cade Skywalker**, Draco and Krieg were able to return the **Princess** to Bastion, but at the expense of their Emperor's trust. Draco hoped to win enough of Fel's trust back to persuade the Emperor to allow him to **marry** the Princess, and grew very staunch in his willingness to obey orders. Over the next several **months**, he and Krieg were sent on missions to **the Wheel space station** and to the **Jedi Order's Hidden Temple** on **Taivas**. While at the Temple, they joined a strike team put together by Skywalker to **assassinate** **Darth Krayt** on **Had Abbadon**. The **mission** saw Krayt **nearly killed**, but the war continued to rage on. Draco later accompanied Fel to **Agamar** along with several other Imperial Knights in order to conduct **peace talks** with the **Jedi** Order, but the meeting was **interrupted** by forces of the One Sith.

Draco ordered the Emperor's escape **shuttle** to ferry Fel away from Agamar and to safety, although it meant leaving Marasiah behind. The Princess was captured by the Sith, and Draco later led a **rescue mission** on the Sith world of **Korriban**. The mission was successful, but Draco remained onworld to buy her time to escape. There, he was taken **prisoner** by Niin, who had become the **Sith Inquisitor** **Darth Havok**, and Havok subjected him to agonizing **torture** in an effort to learn the Emperor's secrets. Draco broke under the torture and told Havok about the Jedi's Hidden Temple. He was then **frozen** in **carbonite** and made into a gift for Cade Skywalker, whom Darth Krayt wanted to entice into a confrontation. Skywalker brought Draco to the Temple, and the two joined in its **defense** as Krayt's forces attacked. The Jedi were evacuated, and Fel and his **allies** immediately launched a **counterstrike** at Sith-controlled Coruscant. During the battle, Draco stood aboard the



Antares Draco

Physical description

Species	Human ^[1]
Gender	Male ^[1]
Hair color	Black ^[1]
Eye color	Black ^[1]

Chronological and political information

Era(s)	Legacy era ^[1]
Affiliation(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fel Empire^[2]Empire-in-exile^[1]<ul style="list-style-type: none">Galactic Federation Triumvirate^[3]Imperial Knights^[1]
Masters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Eshkar Niin^[4] (Imperial Knight Master)

[Source]

[Star Destroyer Jagged Fel](#) at the side of the Emperor, who yet believed in Draco's unquestioning loyalty. Draco's loyalty was ultimately to the Force, however, and he held true to his oath as an Imperial Knight and slew his liege during the battle when the Emperor fell to the [dark side](#) and attempted to unleash a deadly [pathogen](#) onto Coruscant's surface.

Following the defeat of the One Sith, a new galactic government known as the [Galactic Federation Triumvirate](#) came into existence. Marasiah Fel became the new Empress while Draco became the head of the Imperial Knights. The Triumvirate's efforts to rebuild the galaxy were stymied by an underground One Sith insurgency and the appearance of a rogue Sith, named [Darth Wredd](#), who wanted to destroy the One Sith and restore the [Rule of Two](#). Following the [Carreras Incident](#), Draco objected to the Empress' new policy of ignoring Darth Wredd and letting him kill the One Sith but followed his orders nonetheless. Draco later implemented the Empress' "Most Wanted" campaign to hunt down war criminals from the Second Imperial Civil War. During this campaign, the junk dealer [Ania Solo](#) was arrested for allegedly murdering the Imperial Knight [Teemen Alton](#). Draco personally headed the three-member military tribunal prosecuting her but was forced to acquit her after the Imperial Knights [Yalta Val](#) and [Jao Assam](#) presented evidence clearing her name. Later, Draco had Jao arrested on charges of deserting the Imperial Knights. After Darth Wredd kidnapped Jao Assam, Antares Draco commanded an Imperial Knight force against One Sith forces during the [Battle of the Floating World](#). During the battle, Draco was wounded but recovered due to timely medical intervention by Ania and her [Mon Calamari](#) friend [Sauk](#).

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"Mohrgan...the others—!"

"I felt it too. We will honor their sacrifices and escape."

—Draco and Roan Fel, feeling the deaths of four fellow Imperial Knights in the Force

Draco and Emperor Fel flee Coruscant through Sublevel 12.

The [male Human](#) Antares Draco was an [Imperial Knight](#) of the [Fel Empire](#) as of [130 ABY](#).^[2] His service to the Empire saw him follow in the footsteps of his forefathers, as one of his ancestors was a member of the [Galactic Empire's Inquisitorius](#).^[5]

Like the rest of the Imperial Knights, Draco was forbidden by [Emperor Roan Fel](#) to participate in the [Sith–Imperial War](#), a conflict between Fel's Empire and the [Galactic Alliance](#) that raged from [127 ABY](#) to [130 ABY](#).^[2] Instead, the Imperial Knights served as a personal [bodyguard](#) to the Emperor.^[5] Following the [Battle of Caamas](#), which saw the defeat of the Galactic Alliance and the end of the war, Draco and fellow Imperial Knight [Mohrgan Fel](#) accompanied the Emperor to his [private chambers](#) on [Coruscant](#) as

Fel prepared for a meeting with the Imperial [Moff Council](#). Fel planned to arrest [Grand Moff Morlish Veed](#), whom he suspected had disobeyed him by ordering the [Massacre](#) of the [Jedi Order](#) at Ossus. Fel instructed Draco and Mohrgan to [kill](#) Veed if he made any suspicious moves and to keep a close [eye](#) on [Director of Imperial Intelligence Nyna Calixte](#). At that moment, Calixte revealed herself to be in the room with them and eavesdropping on their conversation. After being held against the wall by Mohrgan's [use of the Force](#), she informed them that Fel's [Sith allies](#) were planning to kill him. Draco advised his Emperor not to trust her, but Fel bid her explain herself, prompting her to point out that his survival was in her interests in addition to his own.^[2]

Mohrgan volunteered to lead a contingent of Imperial Knights and accompany [Fel's double](#) in appearing before the [Moffs](#), a ruse which ultimately allowed Fel and Draco to flee the [planet](#). [Darth Krayt](#), the leader of the [Sith](#), appeared at the Moff's meeting and slew Mohrgan's entire contingent before [striking down](#) Fel's decoy and declaring himself the new Emperor of [the galaxy](#).^{[2][6]} Concurrent with these events, Fel and Draco made an underground escape from Coruscant through [Sublevel 12's](#) maintenance tunnels to a waiting [ship](#) that had been arranged by Calixte. As the two destroyed [guard droids](#) that attempted to halt them, Draco [felt the deaths](#) of his fellow Knights in the Force. Fel told him that they would honor their sacrifices by escaping. Displaced from his throne, Roan Fel and his Imperial Knights were now in exile.^[2]

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"Is loyalty always the same as obedience?"

—Draco to Ganner Krieg

At some point before [137 ABY](#), Draco earned the title of [Master](#),^[7] and, under the tutelage of Master [Eshkar Niin](#),^[4] became the second-in-command of the Imperial Knights.^[8] Behind Fel himself, Draco was the highest-ranking member of the organization^[5] and was at the head of its disciplined command structure.^[9] When Niin abandoned his vows to the Emperor and deserted the Order, Draco was sent to kill him and located him on the rooftop of a [city](#) filled with [skyscrapers](#). Niin had himself hunted Fel's wife, Empress [Elliah Fel](#), to the rooftop, and both Draco and Elliah [engaged](#) him in a [lightsaber duel](#). Niin ignored their pleas to remember his vows and Force-shoved Draco away before striking the Empress down. Draco attacked and mortally wounded him in retaliation, and afterward believed his former Master to be dead. Niin in fact survived the encounter and joined Darth Krayt's Sith as a [Sith Inquisitor](#).^[10]

After seven years of conducting hit-and-run tactics on [Krayt's Imperial fleets](#), Roan Fel [returned](#) to the Imperial stronghold of [Bastion](#), which Krayt had claimed shortly after the conclusion of the war. Draco accompanied Fel as he arrived on-planet, along with two other Imperial Knights, [Sigel Dare](#) and Draco's trusted friend, [Ganner Krieg](#). After securing the loyalty of the Imperial forces stationed on the planet, Fel believed that his [Empire](#) could now become a more potent threat to Krayt, although Draco cautioned him that Krayt would now know where to find him. Fel was then informed by [General Oron Jaeger](#) that [Elke Vetter](#), an Imperial Knight and the bodyguard of Fel's daughter, [Princess Marasiah Fel](#), had been killed on [Socorro](#), and that Marasiah was missing. Draco immediately volunteered to take three Knights to Socorro to rescue her but was forbidden from doing so by Fel, who would not allow his new base to be discovered just yet. A distraught Draco told Fel that he did not understand, but would obey.^[11] Nevertheless, Draco continued his attempts to convince the Emperor to mount a rescue mission, proclaiming that he would die before revealing that Bastion had been retaken. Reminded by Krieg that they had sworn an oath of loyalty to the Emperor, Draco wondered if loyalty was the same as obedience.^[12]

Despite their orders, Draco and Krieg made their way in two stolen [Predator-class fighters](#) to [Vendaxa](#), where Marasiah and her companion, [Astraal Vao](#), had been picked up by the [bounty hunter Cade Skywalker](#) and had rendezvoused with two [Jedi Knights](#), [Wolf Sazen](#) and Astraal's brother, [Shado Vao](#). Arriving at the site of Skywalker's grounded ship, the [Mynock](#), the pair's [fighters](#) were shot down by a Sith [Fury-class starfighter](#). Draco and Krieg managed to escape the flaming wrecks of their ships and arrived on the scene simultaneously with the [Sith Lords Darth Talon](#), [Darth Nihil](#), and a [legion](#) of other Sith that had been pursuing Marasiah since her escape from Socorro. With his hood up, Draco

Draco protects Marasiah Fel from forces of the One Sith on Vendaxa.

appeared to the Sith to be Fel himself but revealed his identity and told them to run while they still had the chance. Along with the [Jedi](#) and the Princess, Draco and Krieg ignited their [lightsabers](#) and engaged the Sith in [combat](#). Despite seven years of tension between the Jedi and Roan Fel's Empire, the Jedi and Imperial Knights were [fighting side-by-side](#) against their common enemy, the Sith. Marasiah was angered by Draco's attempt to rescue her, which she suspected had been forbidden by her father. Draco's reasoning was that he loved her, a fact that she informed him she was already aware of. She was soon after cut down by a [Zabrak Sith](#) while protecting a derelict Skywalker.^[12]

Believing that a person whom they had sworn to protect had been killed, Draco and Krieg fought the Sith with renewed vigor. Draco cradled what he believed to be Marasiah's corpse in his arms until faint signs of life led him to rush her to the *Mynock* while Sazen covered him. When Sazen attempted to return to the battle, Draco held him back, insisting that Marasiah's life was more important than anyone else's. Sazen was distrustful of Fel's Imperials due to the Massacre at Ossus, but Draco revealed that the said Massacre had happened against the Emperor's orders and managed to convince Sazen to do whatever he could to [heal](#) the Princess. Draco rushed back outside of the ship, only to find that it was taking off, with everyone but the Sith aboard. As Talon leaped onto the ship's closing [hatch](#), Draco Force-pushed her off, allowing the *Mynock* to leave the surviving Sith behind and escape.^[7]

On the [bridge](#), Draco pressured [Jariah Syn](#) and [Deliah Blue](#), respectively the ship's co-pilot and [mechanic](#), to set a course for Bastion and bid them get there as fast as they could, else he would kill them. When Krieg told Draco that Marasiah was on her way to death, a very reluctant Skywalker—reminded of his [healing powers](#)—offered to help but was met with a punch to the face by an emotionally heated Draco. Vao intervened and prevented a fight from ensuing, and his sister convinced Draco and Krieg to let Skywalker heal Marasiah. After Skywalker used his powers to bring Marasiah back from the edge of death, the *Mynock* safely arrived at Bastion.^[7]

Vendaxa fallout [Edit](#)

"We're going to win back the Emperor's trust."

—Draco while aboard the Wheel

Shortly after Skywalker and the Jedi departed Bastion in the *Mynock*, Fel requested an audience with Draco and Krieg and berated them for having disobeyed a direct order, accusing Draco of putting his love for the Princess before the needs of the Empire. As the Sith had likely tracked the *Mynock* to Bastion, Fel believed that he was now in a stalemate with Krayt's Empire. Draco, ready to receive any punishment that the Emperor wished to hand them, was shocked when Fel told them that they would be receiving medals. Fel was retroactively approving their mission to Vendaxa, rather than having news of their insubordination undermine his authority. Draco's and Krieg's punishment was thus that they were being declared the Empire's foremost heroes and thenceforth being tasked with its most dangerous missions. Fel then told Draco to forget the idea of [marrying](#) Marasiah and sent the two on their next mission: escorting [Captain Mingo Bovark](#) to the Wheel,^[13] a [space station](#) in the [Besh Gorgon system](#) that had remained neutral throughout Fel's conflicts with the Galactic Alliance and the Sith.^[5] Bovark would be discussing a possible alliance against Krayt with [Admiral Gar Stazi](#) of the [Galactic Alliance Remnant](#), and Draco and Krieg's mission was to ensure Bovark's safety at all costs and to see that the negotiations went smoothly. Before their departure, a ceremony was held in which the two Imperial Knights received their medals.^[13]

Draco and Krieg safeguard Mingo Bovark while aboard the Wheel.

Aboard the *Wheel*, Stazi and Bovark met in a conference room, with each participant's set of guards required to wait outside. Draco and Krieg, despite having been required to leave their *lightsabers* aboard their ship, smuggled them aboard the space station.^[13] While the talks were happening, Morrigan Corde and *Jor Torlin*, *spies* from Krayt's Empire, managed to cause the Imperial *shuttle* to *fire* on Stazi's ship using a *Command Override Limpet Droid*, prompting Stazi to believe that Roan Fel had betrayed him. A firefight erupted between the Imperial Knights and the *Galactic Alliance Intelligence officers*, and Krieg held off the guards while Draco burst into the room to retrieve Bovark, Force-pushing an angry Stazi against a bulkhead. Wheel *Administrator Pol Temm* and several *security guards* arrived and called on the Imperial Knights to surrender their weapons immediately. Draco refused, and Temm ordered the Imperials off of the *Wheel*, declaring the station off-limits to all of Roan Fel's forces. Suspecting sabotage, Draco vowed to find and kill whomever was responsible.^[14]

Some *time* later, while on *Bastion*, Draco felt a *disturbance in the Force* and rushed to the *Pellaeon Gardens*, where he found Emperor Fel standing over the corpse of the Sith Lord *Darth Kruhl*. Kruhl had arrived on-planet aboard the *Star Destroyer Dauntless*, whose crew had been sent by *Darth* Krayt under the guise of defecting to Fel's Empire; the ruse allowed Kruhl to *mount an attempt* on Fel's life. Fel shook off Draco's concerns over his well-being and informed him that he would be sending Krayt a message back. Every crew member of the *Dauntless* was then killed, save for its *Governor*, *Vikar Dorn*, who was spared in order to deliver the message.^[15]

Over the next several *weeks*,^[16] acting on the orders of the Emperor, Draco kept mainly to himself and avoided Marasiah Fel in particular as she completed her training and became a full-fledged Imperial Knight. As the Emperor prepared to send Marasiah, Draco, and Krieg on a mission, Draco sat sulking in the gardens of Bastion's royal greenhouses and was approached by Marasiah. Worried about her safety, he intended to counsel the Emperor to replace her on the mission with another Imperial Knight. Marasiah surprised him with a kiss and told him that she had no intention of letting her father run her personal life.^[17]

Pursuing Cade Skywalker [Edit](#)

"Defend her Imperial Majesty!"

"She wasn't invited, and you Imperial Knights ain't wanted. This is what you get for crashing my party!"

"Pirate scum! You speak for the Jedi now?"

"I speak for me. Nobody uses the Mynock to hitch a free ride—least of all you stinking Imperials!"

—Draco and Cade Skywalker while dueling at the Hidden Temple

The three Imperial Knights were sent to the *lego system*, where their fellow Knight *Azlyn Rae* had been dispatched to locate Cade Skywalker, whom the Emperor worried had divulged Imperial secrets to the Sith. Undercover and posing as a *bounty* hunter, Rae confronted Skywalker as he visited his uncle, "*Bantha*" *Rawk*, on *lego*. Because of her status as a former Jedi and a childhood friend of Skywalker's, Rae was able to learn of the existence of the Jedi's *Hidden Temple*. As she prepared to follow the *Mynock* to the temple in her *ship*, Rae relayed the Temple's coordinates to Draco, Krieg, and Marasiah, who were waiting nearby in a *ship of their own*. Although both Draco and Krieg suspected that Rae might be setting them up, the three Imperial Knights set a course for the Hidden Temple on *Taivas*.^[18] Their hope was to negotiate an alliance between Fel's Empire and the Jedi Order. Draco relayed the Temple's coordinates to Bastion in an effort to keep the Princess safe.^[19]

Krieg, Marasiah, and Draco appear before the Jedi Council.

The Imperial Knights *cloaked* their ship and followed the *Mynock* to the Hidden Temple, landing behind their quarry at one of the complex's *hangars*. Draco, Krieg, and Marasiah disembarked just as the *Mynock*'s crew was being greeted by Wolf

Sazen and Shado Vao; Draco and Krieg walked out with their lightsabers drawn in an effort to protect the Princess from any potential danger. Misinterpreted as hostility, the move prompted Vao and Skywalker to draw their own weapons and [engage](#) the two Imperial Knights in duels. Draco dueled Skywalker in defense of what he perceived to be an attack on Marasiah. Furious that they had hitched a free ride on his ship and realizing Rae's true identity as an Imperial Knight, Skywalker Force-pushed both Draco and Krieg across the hangar. In response, Marasiah ignited her own lightsaber and informed Skywalker that the Imperial Knights had come on a mission of peace.^[19]

After tensions between the gathered parties had died down, the Imperial delegation was permitted to see the [Jedi Council](#). In the [Council Chamber](#), Skywalker, Rawk, Sazen, Vao, Draco, Krieg, and Marasiah appeared before [Jedi Masters K'Kruhk, T'ra Saa, and Tili Qua](#). Saa believed that the Force had allowed the Imperial Knights to come to the Hidden Temple for a reason. Draco stood by as Marasiah gave a long speech that revealed that her father had not ordered the Massacre at Ossus and called on the Jedi to open talks with him so that they might join forces against their common enemy, the Sith. Skywalker chimed in, revealing knowledge of Darth Krayt and the One Sith that he had learned during his time as their captive, and proposed a plan of his own: [assassinate](#) Darth Krayt. Although the Jedi Council was taken aback by Skywalker's proposal, the Imperial Knights were impressed by it—Draco deemed it to be the first thing Skywalker had ever said that he liked.^[19] Ultimately, the Council did not support the mission, but Skywalker decided to proceed without their assistance. Marasiah assigned Draco, Krieg, and Rae to accompany him on his mission, while she would stay behind to continue negotiating an alliance with the Jedi.^[20] Draco was appointed the leader of the Imperial Knights' mission.^[21] Skywalker's [astromech droid, R2-D2](#), opened the cargo bay doors of the *Mynock* and allowed Draco and Krieg to load their TIE Predators into the ship's hold. With their fighters already aboard his ship, Skywalker reluctantly allowed the Imperial Knights to join him on the mission. Vao joined the strike team as well as the sole representative of the Jedi.^[20]

Skywalker's strike team [Edit](#)

"Your will be done, Majesty."

—Draco, receiving new orders from Roan Fel

Krieg and Draco piloting TIE Predators at Had Abbadon

Skywalker formulated a [plan](#) to lure Krayt to the planet [Had Abbadon](#). *En route*, Draco and Krieg watched Vao practice his lightsaber technique against a [remote](#) in the *Mynock*'s cargo hold. Soon, the ship was drawn out of [hyperspace](#) by the [interdiction field](#) of the Star Destroyer *Iron Sun*, which [Old Republic Jedi Celeste Morne](#) had commandeered ten years before and kept dormant in the [Deep Core](#). Draco observed that there were no TIE Predators meeting them and that the Star Destroyer's [hull](#) had taken fire damage from the inside. After the *Mynock* was locked in a [tractor beam](#), Vao and Skywalker sensed the presence of a [Force-user](#) on the ship, and the crew set out to explore the derelict vessel.

Skywalker ordered Draco and Krieg to investigate the corridors connected to the hangar bay, where they found several [bones](#), some of which had been gnawed on. Following an attack on Skywalker, Rae, Vao, and Jariah Syn by beasts known as [Rakghouls](#), Draco contacted Deliah Blue on the *Mynock* and suggested that Skywalker was dead and that the mission be called off. Blue ignored him and rushed into the interior of the ship, and Draco and Krieg followed her. The trio located Syn and Vao in front of a locked door, along with several tame-seeming Rakghouls, beasts that Morne was able to control with the power of the [Muur Talisman](#), an ancient [Sith artifact](#) that housed the [spirit](#) of the Sith Lord [Karness Muur](#). As Draco and Vao attempted to force their way through the door, it suddenly opened, revealing a weary Skywalker and Rae. Morne followed, and, having just been impressed by Skywalker's healing abilities, decided to join them on their mission.^[22]

With Morne as its newest passenger, the *Mynock* arrived at Had Abbadon, a planet that was under the control of Krayt's Empire. Posing as pilots from the planet's Imperial base, Draco and Krieg flew their TIE Predators after Shado Vao's [TwinTail Fighter](#) and blasted grounded TIE pilots before they could get to their ships, helping to rid the base of Krayt's Imperials. With the base clear, Draco accessed the [HoloNet](#) and informed Roan Fel of the Muur Talisman's existence. Realizing its power, Fel told Draco to obtain it. With his new instructions, Draco interrupted a tender moment between Krieg and Rae and got into a verbal quarrel with the two of them, both of whom questioned Fel's new order. After Rae stormed off, Draco told Krieg that he would have to kill her if she disobeyed their Emperor and was met with a heated rebuke from his trusted friend: he would have to kill Krieg first. Tensions mounted between the two as they argued over their primary duties as Imperial Knights, and, with the argument unresolved, Krieg walked away.^[23]

Lured to Had Abbadon by the bait of the Muur Talisman, Darth Krayt arrived along with four of his most trusted Sith Lords: [Darths Stryfe](#), [Wyyrlok](#), Talon, and [Maladi](#). All of the Sith Lords save Wyyrlok confronted Morne and Skywalker, before Draco, Krieg, Rae, and Vao emerged from hiding, having managed to [conceal themselves in the Force](#). The six members of the strike team [attacked the Sith](#) and were aided by Morne's [army](#) of Rakghouls, which ended up cutting the Imperial Knights off from the battle. Hoping to ensure the death of Krayt and also desiring the Talisman, Draco ordered Krieg and Rae to find Krayt while he confronted Morne. Rae protested but was angrily Force-pushed away by Draco, who was in turn physically restrained by Krieg. A frustrated Krieg bid Draco to go confront Morne while he and Rae dealt with Krayt. With his lightsaber, Draco cut his way through several Rakghouls and confronted Morne, who engaged him in lightsaber combat, taunting him and telling him that the Emperor was not worthy of the Talisman. She then Force-pushed Draco away, causing him to hit his head and lose consciousness.^[21]

While Draco lay [unconscious](#), Krayt was [stabbed](#) through the chest by Rae and Force-pushed off of a cliff by Morne before being betrayed and nearly killed by his own servant, Darth Wyyrlok. However, the [Force lightning](#) produced during the confrontation grievously wounded Rae. After Krayt's defeat, Skywalker [destroyed](#) the Talisman and killed Morne but was unable to effectively heal Rae with the Force. As Draco regained consciousness, the crew of the *Mynock* prepared to depart for [Kiffex](#) with Vao and Rae. Skywalker refused Draco and Krieg passage, as he knew that they had tried to secure the Talisman for their Emperor. The *Mynock* departed, leaving Draco insistent that he and Krieg return to Bastion to report to Fel.^[24]

Celeste Morne Force-pushes Draco while the spirit of Karness Muur looks on approvingly.

After returning to Bastion, the two were joined by Sigel Dare in appearing before the Emperor. Fel was not pleased that they had allowed the Talisman to be destroyed, and, without proof, was not entirely convinced that Krayt had been killed. His sources told him that Krayt was in [stasis](#) on [Korriban](#), and, as such, he assigned Draco to discover what was happening on Coruscant as rumors spread regarding the Sith Lord's demise.^[25]

The captured princess [Edit](#)

"And if there is an attack, do you know what to do?"

"My duty will be to get the Emperor and the Princess clear."

"And if you can only get one clear? Which will it be, Master Draco?"

"I know my duty, Master Sinde."

—Treis Sinde and Draco on Agamar

Later, Draco was in the [Imperial Knights quarters](#) on Bastion observing a sparring match between Masters Krieg and Rae.^[26] He joined a contingent of Imperial Knights soon afterward and accompanied the Emperor to [Agamar](#) in order to conduct [peace talks](#) with the Jedi Order—Fel and the Jedi had each forged a pact with the Galactic Alliance, and formal cooperation between the Empire-in-exile and the Jedi Order would solidify a greater three-way-[alliance](#). The Imperial Knights made camp for the night on Agamar's [grassy](#) plains, which led Draco to feel that his Emperor and Princess were in the open and vulnerable. He held a discussion regarding their situation with Master Sinde that soon shifted in tone to a quandary regarding Draco's responsibility to Fel. Draco assured a skeptical Sinde that his duty to the Emperor outweighed his duty to the Princess.^[27]

The following morning, the Imperial delegation met with representatives from the Jedi, led by Master K'Kruhk. Everyone present disguised themselves as [Agamarian farmers](#),^[27] and several of the Imperial Knights positioned themselves away from the meeting, pretending to work on a nearby field.^{[27][28]} After a formal alliance was struck and Fel declared Bastion a safe haven for both the Jedi and the Galactic Alliance, Draco sensed an approaching intruder riding a [local animal](#). Sinde ordered Masters Krieg and Dare to open fire. The two hit the beast with shots from their [blaster rifles](#) until Fel recognized the rider as Nyna Calixte, who had been serving Krayt's Empire since the end of the Sith–Imperial War. Calixte hurriedly told the assembled party that the Sith were aware of the meeting and had [sent a task force](#) under the command of Moff [Rulf Yage](#) to capture or kill the Emperor. As the task force, led by the [Pellaeon-class Star Destroyer War Hammer](#), engaged Fel's *Dauntless* in [orbit](#), she suggested that the Imperial Knights and Jedi run if they wanted to survive.^[27]

The Imperial Knights and Jedi were quickly advanced upon by a group of Sith emerging from nearby swamps. Draco and K'Kruhk called on their respective parties to defend Emperor Fel, and all disguises were shed as a battle ensued. At least ten Sith fell to the blades of the Imperial Knights and Jedi, as well as to the [blaster](#) of Calixte. Fighting next to Fel, Draco hailed the Imperial Knights' escape shuttle [Defender One](#), which landed near the site of

Draco, Krieg and the Emperor battle Sith on Agamar.

the melee in order to evacuate the Emperor. As Sinde and K'Kruhk began clearing a path toward the shuttle, the surviving Imperial Knights and Jedi boarded, save for Marasiah, Rae, and the Jedi [Rasi Tuum](#), who were too far away. As enemy starfighters began approaching, Sinde reminded Draco of his duty to the Emperor. Draco longingly stared at Marasiah as he gave the order for the shuttle to lift off. *Defender One* escaped the planet as the *Dauntless* held a corridor of space open for them, taking the brunt of the *War Hammer's* attack and being destroyed in the process. Fel told Draco that he felt Marasiah in the Force, and although she was not dead, she was in the hands of the Sith. Draco swore to his Emperor that he would rescue the Princess.^[28]

Defender One brought the Imperial Knights and Jedi to Bastion. On Agamar, Marasiah was kidnapped by the Sith and taken to Korriban, but Rae and Tuum stole a [Sith–Imperial attack ship](#) and returned to Bastion. As the vessel approached the Imperial [fortress world](#), Draco, Krieg, Sinde, Shado Vao, and the Imperial Knights' [Master armorer Hogrum Chalk](#) were roused from their sleep by alarms and rushed to a landing platform. Chalk unsuccessfully attempted to contact the ship, but when Rae contacted Krieg via [comlink](#), Chalk ordered Bastion's defensive [artillery](#) batteries to cease firing on the ship. When Rae and Tuum landed, a furious Draco began berating them for not having brought Marasiah with them. When Tuum intervened, Draco Force-pushed the Jedi Master away, but the confrontation was ended when Fel summoned them all to [his quarters](#). Fel worried that Marasiah knew all of the Empire's codes, and gave Draco three hours to form a rescue plan. Unsure of what to do, Draco consulted [the holocron](#) of his former Master, Eshkar Niin. Krieg followed him to [his quarters](#) and advised him to master his anger, but Draco instead called on old advice of Niin's and chose to focus his anger in order to rescue the princess.^[4]

A broken man [Edit](#)

"Forgiveness is impossible, I know, my lady. My will was broken... I believed the Sith had recaptured you... were about to kill you! It was a Sith illusion, but, I could not allow Eshkar Niin—Darth Havok—to kill you as he slew your mother..."

—Draco prostrates himself before the Princess after being released from Sith imprisonment

With Krieg and Vao posing as his captives, Draco used his anger to help disguise himself as a Sith, also covering his skin with false Sith tattoos and donning imitation Sith armor. The three [went](#) to Korriban, where Draco bullied a [Neimoidian Sith](#) into allowing them access to the Sith [Chambers of Persuasion](#).^[4] Therein, they came across the princess, and seized the lightsabers of several Sith guards via telekinesis. The trio quickly disposed of them, and Draco cradled an injured Marasiah in his arms. She lashed out at him, however, believing that he had known of Niin's survival. Niin, now Darth Havok, had been [torturing](#) Marasiah, and Draco was shocked to hear that his former Master lived. Vao forestalled any further discussion by insisting that they return to their ship, a short trip that saw all four of them participate in the massacre of more Sith. When they cut their way through enough enemies to clear a path to the ship, Draco informed his allies that he would remain behind and allow them to take off. Marasiah protested, telling him that she had realized his ignorance of Niin's survival, but Draco had made peace with the idea of dying to protect her. Krieg had to restrain her on their way to the ship as a new group of Sith rushed at Draco.^[29]

Draco slaughtered all of his attackers, only to be advanced upon by Havok himself. As they traded banter, Havok remarked that Draco's anger would suit him well as a Sith. Draco was simply eager for the chance to finally kill his former Master, and the two locked lightsabers. Both of them used the [dark side of the Force](#) to fuel their attack, and as such, both felt the will of Darth Krayt. The Dark Lord had been presumed dead, but was alive and well and was projecting his will across the [galaxy](#). Havok gave his former student a final chance to join the Sith, but Draco refused, insisting that he would rather die. Havok then shocked him with Force lightning, knocking him out of the fight and severing his presence from the Force.^[29] Draco became Havok's [prisoner](#) and was subject to the torture inflicted by his former Master. Havok hoped to extract information from his captive, and used the Force to cut Draco's body with shards of [transparisteel](#) in between healing periods in a [bacta tank](#). Draco refused to talk, however, firm in his conviction that he would rather die.^[30]

Draco makes a last stand against Darth Havok.

Havok was well aware of Draco's vulnerabilities^[30] and created a [Force illusion](#) that transported his prisoner back to the day that Elliah Fel had died. As Draco relived her death, Havok appealed to his guilt at failing to save her before presenting Darth Talon, made to look like a captive Marasiah due to another Force illusion. Havok claimed that the Princess had been retaken while escaping Korriban and threatened to kill her if Draco did not tell him any valuable information, prompting the Imperial Knight to reveal the existence and location of the Jedi's Hidden Temple. Talon left to relay the information to Darth Krayt, and Havok nevertheless continued to shock his prisoner with Force lightning. Krayt was eager to face Cade Skywalker in combat again and bade Talon to present a broken Draco to him as a gift.^[10] Talon had Draco [frozen](#) in [carbonite](#) and brought him to the Wheel, where Skywalker was meeting with Calixte, now an enemy of Krayt after being outed as Fel's spy. Talon infiltrated the *Mynock* and placed Draco in its cargo hold before briefly [dueling](#) Skywalker and fleeing the space station.^[31]

When Skywalker entered his ship, he ordered R2-D2 to defrost Draco. Draco awoke from hibernation and told the *Mynock*'s crew about his mission to Korriban and subsequent imprisonment, and revealed that he had given away the location of the Hidden Temple. Skywalker was enraged and threatened to kill him, but he instead contacted Taivas and warned them before taking the *Mynock* there himself. Marasiah was at the Temple with an Imperial Knight bodyguard contingent, and Krieg and

Rae greeted Draco after the *Mynock* made planetfall before bringing him before the Princess. She castigated him for choosing to talk rather than dying, but, due to the courage he had displayed in rescuing her, she gave him a chance to reclaim his honor by aiding in the defense of the Temple from the inevitable Sith attack.^[31]

Redemption [Edit](#)

"Forgive me, my Emperor... but I am not worthy of your trust! The Sith broke me!"

"It was your unwavering loyalty to the Royal family that allowed you to be broken. I trust you, Antares, and I know I can count on you to serve my will—no matter what."

—Draco and the Emperor, aboard the *Jagged Fel*

Draco, Krieg, and Marasiah once again appeared before the Jedi Council with Sazen, Vao, Skywalker, and Rawk, who had reactivated as a Jedi, by their side. The Emperor and Gar Stazi joined them via [hologram](#) and pledged their support to the Temple's defense. Skywalker devised a plan that would lure Krayt's forces into the Temple, thereby allowing the fleets of Fel and Stazi to emerge from hyperspace behind them and seal their [naval](#) forces in a trap. When the [attack](#) came, the four present Imperial Knights stood with Skywalker and the Jedi in defending the Temple's outer portal from a group of advancing Sith. Draco vowed to fight beside the princess to honor or to death as they cut down the invaders. When Rawk contacted the Galactic Alliance and Empire-in-exile fleets, their [warships](#) arrived in the [system](#) and sprung the trap.^[31] Krayt's secret army of [Sith troopers](#) was not far behind, and several of the [troopers](#) landed on the ground and surrounded the defenders, who had been pushed back to the Temple's council chambers. The Skywalkers and [three additional Jedi Masters](#) remained in the chambers to defend Master T'ra Saa, who coordinated the allied forces with [Battle meditation](#), while Draco and the others retreated. The starships that composed the Hidden Temple then rose from the ground and fled the system, protected by a blast of [Force energy](#) that rose with them and by several ships that defected from Krayt's Empire during the battle. After having taken heavy losses from the Sith troopers, the surviving allies retreated to Bastion.^[32]

Draco expresses his doubts to the Emperor prior to the Battle of Coruscant.

On Bastion, Draco was debriefed by Masters Chalk and Sinde about his time on Korriban. The Emperor forgave him betraying the Hidden Temple's location, but Draco believed that he had betrayed his honor. Three days after the Hidden Temple's fall, the Emperor, Admiral Stazi, and the Jedi Council agreed to strike at Krayt on Coruscant before the Sith trooper army could attack Bastion. Fleet-wide preparations were made, and Draco retired to his [quarters](#) on Fel's [flagship](#), the *Pellaeon*-class Star Destroyer *Jagged Fel*. As he re-donned the Imperial Knight armor he had left behind prior to

infiltrating Korriban, Krieg caught up with him, and Draco shared with his friend his doubts about his honor. He also worried that the Sith had programmed him as a [sleeper agent](#), but Krieg urged his friend to find strength in the Force and forge himself anew rather than letting fear and the dark side take hold of him. Krieg, Rae, and Dare then joined a [strike team](#) led by Morrigan Corde—a recent defector from Krayt's Empire who had directed [Imperial Intelligence](#) as her alter ego Nyna Calixte—and brought down Coruscant's orbital defenses prior to the fleets' arrival in-[system](#). Draco, however, remained at his Emperor's side aboard the *Jagged Fel*. Fel requested the presence of those most loyal to him during the [battle](#), and Draco stood with Marasiah, Master Sinde, and Hogrum Chalk. Draco yet believed that he was unworthy of the Emperor's trust, but Fel assured him that he could be counted on to always serve the Emperor's will.^[33]

The *Jagged Fel* and the rest of the fleets arrived over Coruscant just as the orbital defenses were brought down. During a fierce [space battle](#), Fel ordered Draco to accompany him below-decks, where a half-crazed Darth Maladi was imprisoned^[33]—Maladi had been discovered and taken prisoner by Master Chalk's agents in Imperial Intelligence and had offered to create a [deadly pathogen](#) for Fel in exchange for the head of Skywalker, who had mentally attacked her with the Force and

left her in her current state.^[10] Fel had ordered her to create it after learning of the Sith trooper army,^[32] and she now had the pathogen, Omega Red, finished. Draco watched as Maladi gave a shell containing Omega Red to Fel and informed him that it would wipe out all life on a planet within several [seconds](#).^[33] Unbeknownst to either of them, Maladi was still serving Krayt and had designed the pathogen to have no effect on any Sith. Fel, prepared to go to any length to defeat Krayt, brought Draco to an [escape pod](#) and prepared to drop the pathogen onto Coruscant's surface, ignoring Draco's protests that it would also kill their allies and billions of innocents. When Sinde and Marasiah arrived and added their voices to Draco's, a determined Fel Force-pushed them against a wall and incapacitated them.^{[3][3]}

Draco recalled the oath he had sworn upon becoming an Imperial Knight: to serve the Force as embodied by the Emperor, and to kill the Emperor if he were ever to fall to the dark side and could not return. He thus refused Fel's order and ignited his lightsaber; the two crossed blades as Fel rued the trust he had placed in Draco to unquestioningly obey his will. While they dueled, Skywalker slew Krayt on the planet's surface, and Draco felt the Dark Lord's death in the Force. Fel claimed it was a trick and punched Draco in the face, but Draco recovered and stabbed his Emperor through the back before Fel could push the button that would launch the escape pod. As the Emperor lay dead, Draco kneeled over his corpse, paralyzed with disbelief of what had just occurred.^[3]

Draco crosses blades with the Emperor.

Elsewhere in the battle, Krayt's Sith troopers went insane after their Lord, to whom their wills were linked via the dark side, was slain, and the rest of Krayt's fleet fled into hyperspace, ceding the capital to the allies. The surviving Sith went into hiding, and the war was brought to an end. In the battle's aftermath, a [funeral](#) was held for the Emperor, and Draco and Krieg stood next to Master Chalk as the master armorer delivered a eulogy, ignited lightsabers in their hands. Chalk also announced that Marasiah had been crowned Empress and would join Admiral Stazi and Jedi Master K'Kruhk in forming the [Galactic Federation Triumvirate](#), which would unify the galaxy in the wake of the Sith's rule.^[3]

Triumvirate [Edit](#)

The Carreras Incident [Edit](#)

In [138 ABY](#), as the Triumvirate set about rebuilding the galaxy, Antares Draco continued to serve as an Imperial Knight, serving Empress Fel as her bodyguard on Coruscant.^[34] The two continued their relationship, and Draco retained his position as head of the Imperial Knights, overseeing the training of recruits such as [Jao Assam](#).^[35] That same year, Marasiah Fel embarked on an ambitious project to create a galactic [G51 communications array](#) to connect the [Outer Rim](#) systems to the galaxy. Several Imperial Knights including Jao and Master Yalta Val were sent to supervise the construction of local arrays throughout the galaxy. While traveling to the [Carreras system](#), Val was kidnapped and imprisoned by the rogue Sith [Darth Wredd](#), who impersonated the Imperial Knight in order to take control of the [Carreras array](#).^[34]

Draco and Sia corresponding with the Imperial Knight Jao Assam

Yalta Val's disappearance worried Jao Assam, who raised his concerns with Empress Marasiah Fel, explaining that Master Val would have used his [Imperial comm droid](#) to transmit is coordinates. Jao offered to travel to the

Carreras system and ascertain Val's whereabouts. However, Empress Fel over-ruled him and ordered Jao to remain in the [Ottega system](#) to supervise the [Ithorian](#) link. Antares Draco was present during Fel's conversation with Jao. Following the conversation, Fel confided in Draco, who described Jao as being rash but having good instincts. He expressed concerns about the lack of communications from Val. Empress Fel commented that navigating through the Carreras system was trick and that they had to give Val the time to do his job. Draco explained that the Imperial Knights faced a shortage of skilled warriors and reiterated that the Order could not afford to lose more Knights. Fel replied that the galaxy could never find out about this shortage and emphasized that the Imperial Knights represented the Galactic Triumvirate. Fel expressed her frustrations about trying to make Master K'Kruhk and Admiral Stazi understand that the Triumvirate was committed to keeping its promises to the galaxy. She commented that the Knights could never afford to look weak. Draco then assured her that she was strong and that they would prevail through this test.^[35]

Unknown to both Antares Draco and Marasiah Fel, Assam disobeyed his orders and traveled to the Carreras system to investigate Val's whereabouts. There, he met a local [junk dealer Ania Solo](#) and her companions and quickly learnt that Master Val had been replaced by a Sith impostor.^[36] Ultimately, Wredd succeeded in taking control of the Carreras communications array and used it to broadcast his manifesto to the galaxy, in which he derided the Galactic Triumvirate. Draco and Fel witnessed the broadcast and were horrified to see a captive Master Val, bound to a chair. Wredd then attempted to execute Val before a galactic audience but was stopped by Ania, who succeeded in rescuing Fel and evacuating him offworld before the Carreras array collided with the floating world of [Mala](#). Following the "[Carreras Incident](#)", Draco received a report from Governor [Biala](#) that a young woman named Ania had been involved in the destruction of the Carreras array.^[37]

A new threat [Edit](#)

In response, Empress Fel dispatch the *Pellaeon*-class Star Destroyer [Animus](#) to pick up Ania, her companions, and the rescued Imperial Knights Yalta Val and Jao Assam, who had been wounded during a fight with Darth Wredd.

Ania and her companions were welcomed as guests by the Imperial crew of the *Animus*. Meanwhile, the rogue Sith Darth Wredd embarked on a campaign to kill the various One Sith infiltrators, who had infiltrated key government and corporate positions on various planets including [Cadomai Prime](#) and [Ceitia Five](#). After receiving reports of this rampage, Empress Fel convened a meeting of her Triumvirate, during which Draco was present.

Draco (center) attending a Triumvirate meeting with Master K'Kruhk, Empress Fel, and Admiral Stazi

During the meeting, Draco argued that the Triumvirate could not afford to lose focus on Darth Wredd since he had publicly threatened the government, destroyed the Carreras array, and almost murdered Master Val. When Jedi Master K'Kruhk and Admiral Gar Stazi suggested ignoring Wredd and letting him do the job of killing Sith, Jao objected. However, he was over-ruled by Empress Fel who decided to follow Stazi's recommendation.^[38]

Despite Draco's personal unease, he nevertheless relayed the Empress's orders to Master Yalta Val, who was aboard the *Animus*. When Val suggested using Wredd to track down the other Sith, Draco explained that this was not the Triumvirate's present policy. He also reassigned Master Val to Coruscant to take up position as head of the Imperial Knights training facility there. Draco tasked Master Val with finding new recruits to bolster the ranks of the Order. In addition, Draco reassigned Jao Assam to Coruscant as punishment for abandoning his post in the Ottega system. Meanwhile, Jao Assam received a [Force vision](#) of Darth Wredd attacking Empress Marasiah Fel and expressed his concerns to Master Val. However, Master Val reiterated that they had to follow the Empress' orders. Still uncomfortable, Jao managed to persuade his new friend Ania to join him on a quest to hunt down Darth Wredd.^[38]

Following Jao and Ania's escape, Masters Draco and Val were both summoned before Empress Marasiah Fel, who was furious that the Imperials had not secured Ania. Empress Fel also charged Jao with desertion despite Val's attempts to intercede for the younger Knight. Within the Imperial Knights, desertion carried the death penalty.^[39] During their travels, Jao and Ania discovered that another rogue Sith Lord named [Darth Luft](#) and his [pirate](#) associates had established a [slaving operation](#) in the lawless [Calamari system](#), which had been devastated during the Sith [Genocide on Dac](#). Luft and his pirates forced many [Mon Calamari](#) and [Quarren](#) refugees to build a pirate fleet.^[40] Jao informed Master Val who tried to convince Empress Fel to end the plight of the Mon Cals and the Quarrens. Despite Fel's ambivalence, Master Val and Admiral Stazi assembled a Triumvirate taskforce which liberated the shipyards and apprehended the pirates. During the fighting, Darth Luft was killed by Jao.^[41]

Enter Ania Solo [Edit](#)

Following the successful Dac operation which gave a popular boost to the Galactic Triumvirate, the authorities embarked on a campaign to hunt down war criminals from the Second Imperial Civil War. Ania Solo ended up on the Triumvirate's "Most Wanted" list since she had been framed for the murder of an Imperial Knight named [Teemen Alton](#). Disbelieving Ania's guilt, Master Val confronted his superior Antares Draco at his private apartments in Coruscant and criticized the Triumvirate's new war criminal campaign, arguing that the authorities had their priorities misplaced. Draco was defensive and warned Val to be careful with his words. While acknowledging that Ania had saved Val's life in the Carreras system, he argued that things were not always as they seemed. Val then deduced that the Imperials had wanted to arrest Ania and make her disappear quietly during her time at the *Animus*. Val then demanded to know what was going on.^[42]

Draco admitted that the Imperials had wanted to "disappear" Ania away by sending the *Animus* to pick her up. Due to Ania's recent notoriety following the Carreras Incident, he explained that the Triumvirate had to get the public on their side by placing her on their "Most Wanted" list. Draco then explained that the authorities had good evidence that she had killed an Imperial Knight, Teemen Alton. With the Triumvirate solidifying its control over the galaxy, Draco wanted to send a strong message that the Imperial Knights were the instruments of this new peace and that they would not tolerate any crimes against them, past or present.^[42] Unconvinced of Ania's guilt, Master Val went through the Triumvirate archives and uncovered files which suggested that Alton's killer had a prosthetic hand, something which Ania did not. Val relayed this information to Jao and Ania's companions [Sauk](#) and [AG-37](#), who were on a quest to rescue Ania, who had been kidnapped by her old flame [Ramid](#) and was being stalked by a [mysterious bounty hunter](#).^[43]

Imperial stormtroopers subsequently succeeded in apprehending Ania Solo on [a remote planet which rained glass](#). Ania was extradited back to Coruscant to face a military tribunal, which consisted of three officials— Antares Draco, a [Sullustan](#) Galactic Alliance official, and a female Human Jedi. Knowing the facts about the Teemen Alton case, Master Yalta Val volunteered to represent Ania during the court proceedings. He defended Ania, pointing out that the evidence was circumstantial and stressing Ania's recent actions to save members of the Order. Representing the prosecution, Draco stressed Ania's guilt and demanded a swift resolution to the case. Val was able to weaken the prosecution's case by pointing out that Teemen's murderer had a prosthetic hand and that Ania had two biological hands. He added that Alton was strangled by a laser whip that could only be operated by a matching prosthetic hand.^[44]

Val's evidence managed to sway the Galactic Alliance and Jedi members of the tribunal but Antares Draco remained unswayed and demanded more evidence. However, Ania Solo was saved by the arrival of Jao Assam who presented the bounty hunter's severed prosthetic hand. He explained to the tribunal that the artificial hand belonged to Teemen's real murderer and that this person had tried to frame Ania for a crime that she did not commit. Faced with compelling evidence,

the tribunal was forced to find Ania not guilty and to release her. However, Draco ordered Jao's arrest on charges of desertion and had him imprisoned. While in prison, Jao Assam was visited by the elusive Darth Wredd himself, who sensed the former's despondency at being untreated unfairly. Darth Wredd offered to help Jao escape from prison by handing him a [Sith lightsaber](#) through the bars of his cell.^[44]

The Floating World [Edit](#)

Following Jao Assam's imprisonment, Ania attempted to seek an audience with Empress Marasiah Fel to advocate for clemency on Jao's behalf. However, the Empress's calendar was fully booked. Ania was also rebuffed by Antares Draco, who insisted that the Empress' decision to execute Jao was final and irreversible. Upon learning that Ania had tried to meet her, Empress Fel personally sought Ania out and arranged a special meeting with her. Believing that Jao had not turned to the dark side, Empress Fel ordered Ania and her Draco leading the Imperial Knights into combat companions to lead a platoon of [Trandoshan](#) stormtroopers to find him. Ania agreed to assist Empress Fel in return for the Empress promising to find a way to circumvent the desertion charges. Ania's quest led them to the floating world of Mala.^[45] However, Darth Wredd had tricked Jao into transmitting the planet's coordinates to the Triumvirate and the One Sith, in the hope of luring his two opponents in to a trap.^[46]

During the three-way [Battle of the Floating World](#), Masters Antares Draco and Yalta Val led the Imperial Knight ground charge against the One Sith army. At Draco's insistence, Empress Fel remained aboard her Star Destroyer. The Imperial Knight commanders were shocked to discover that instead of one rogue Sith, they were facing an entire Sith army. Empress Fel reluctantly stayed aboard since her loss would throw the galaxy and the Knights into crisis.^[46] During the fighting, Draco was impaled through the abdomen by a [Devaronian](#) One Sith. His incapacitation prompted Empress Fel to enter the fray with several stormtroopers. Fortunately for Draco, he was rescued by Ania and her Mon Calamari friend Sauk who used a [medical droid](#) to seal his wounds. Following an intense and brutal battle, the Imperial Knights succeeded in killing the entire One Sith Army, with the aid of Ania's companions and the rogue Sith Darth Wredd.^[47]

Following the battle, Empress Fel ordered her Knights to evacuate their wounded comrades and to hunt down for the Sith survivors. While attending to the wounded Draco, Fel was stabbed from behind by Darth Wredd with his lightsaber, thus fulfilling Jao Assam's vision. Horrified, Jao pursued Darth Wredd and attacked him, slicing off his hands. However, Jao refused to kill Wredd, knowing that it would lead him to the dark side. In the end, Ania finished off the rogue Sith with a [heavy repeating blaster](#). Due to immediate medical treatment, Marasiah survived her injuries. Back on Coruscant, Draco's demeanor towards Ania improved out of gratitude for the young Solo saving his life on Mala. He led Ania into Empress Fel's medical ward. Grateful to Ania for saving the galaxy, she praised the Solo's courage and leadership skills and offered her a place in her personal guard. While Ania declined the offer, Fel agreed to dismiss the desertion charges against Jao Assam and allow him to join Ania and her companions in their travels throughout the galaxy. Empress Fel also began implementing reforms to the Imperial Knights Order to redirect their loyalty to the Force rather than the Empress alone.^[47]

Personality and traits [Edit](#)

"My passion is my strength—my passion is my weakness. So my Master always told me."

—Draco to Ganner Krieg

Draco's position as head of the Imperial Knights was one that he earned through years of hard work, discipline, and loyalty.^[5] He possessed unwavering loyalty to the cause of the Imperial Knights and was willing to die for his Emperor.^{[1][12]}

However, his loyalty, though unflinching, was not blind.^[5] Draco defied the orders of his Emperor on at least one occasion, when he and Ganner Krieg traveled to Vendaxa to rescue Princess Marasiah Fel from the Sith. This event caused Draco to wonder if the concept of loyalty could transcend obedience.^[12] Following this incident, Draco was willing to accept any punishment that the Emperor would hand out^[13] and became more willing to obey his Emperor in the hope that it would persuade Fel to allow Draco to marry the princess Marasiah. Draco's loyalty was such that he unhesitatingly obeyed Fel's order to obtain the Muur Talisman from Celeste Morne and dismissed the objections of Krieg and Azlyn Rae that it was an evil Sith artifact which would corrupt their Emperor. On this occasion, Draco insisted that Imperial Knights always served the Emperor's will, but Ganner Krieg speculated that he was letting his desire to marry the Princess cloud his judgment. This occasion also saw Draco verbally quarrel with Krieg,^[23] who was normally his most trusted friend.^{[1][8]}

Antares Draco, Imperial Knight

Although it was said that his personal feelings rarely interfered with his work,^[5] Draco was openly critical of the Jedi and remarked on more than one occasion that Shado Vao was no match for an Imperial Knight, despite having bore witness to the Jedi's skills.^{[7][22]} When meeting with Vao and other Jedi on Agamar to discuss an alliance against the Sith, Draco remained open to the idea of a security leak in the Jedi's ranks.^[27] His malice toward those who did not serve Fel's Empire also extended to bounty hunters,^[19] members of the Galactic Alliance,^[13] and those serving Darth Krayt's Empire. Draco had no moral qualms with killing

members of the latter group, although fellow Imperial Knights Krieg^[23] and Treis Sinde did.^[48] When Marasiah was captured by the Sith on Agamar, it caused Draco a great deal of anger. He was advised by Krieg and Shado Vao to master his anger, but instead chose to use it to disguise himself as a Sith in order to rescue his love.^[4] Darth Havok, Draco's former Imperial Knight Master, believed darkness to have always been inside of Draco, and Draco willingly drew on the dark side of the Force when dueling Havok on Korriban. However, Draco refused Havok's offer to join the Sith, insistent that he would rather die fighting.^[29]

Draco's dedication to Fel was second to none, yet he knew that instinct and intuition were as important to an Imperial Knight as dedication and discipline. He believed that listening to the Force and heeding one's insights were paramount, and these beliefs helped craft him into a cunning, loyal, and very competent warrior. In spite of his brashness and cockiness, Draco was nearly incorruptible.^[5] However, his love for Marasiah could cause him to lose face and control of his emotions. Marasiah's brush with death on Vendaxa prompted Draco to threaten the lives of Jariah Syn and Deliah Blue and saw him punch Cade Skywalker in the face when the bounty hunter offered to heal Marasiah with the Force.^[7] When the Imperial Knights were attacked by forces of the One Sith on Agamar, Draco placed his duty to the Emperor over his duty to the Princess, ordering their escape shuttle to ferry Fel to safety when Marasiah had not yet boarded.^[28] Although he ultimately chose to go to Korriban to rescue her, he was initially conflicted, feeling that he should perhaps remain on Bastion to help protect the Emperor. During his rescue mission, he was determined to get Marasiah out alive, and was unwilling to fail in his mission.^[4] After rescuing her, he chose to remain on Korriban and buy her time to escape. He was willing to die, and believed that the will of the Force would decide his fate.^[29] Although he did not die, he became a prisoner of the Sith, and, despite having to endure long periods of torture at the hands of Darth Havok, was unwilling to betray any Imperial secrets.^[30] He eventually betrayed the existence and location of the Jedi's Hidden Temple when he believed Marasiah's life to be in danger.^[10] Draco did not ask for forgiveness, but he was willing to fight next to the Princess in an effort to regain his honor.^[31] He felt himself unworthy of the Emperor's continued trust, but both Fel and Krieg continued to believe in him.^[33] When the Emperor fell to the dark side of the Force, Draco held true to his oath as an Imperial Knight and slew his liege.^[3]

Following the defeat of the One Sith, Antares Draco became the head of the Imperial Knights. In his new position, Draco was troubled by the shortage of seasoned Knights within the rank of his Order. He and his superior Empress Fel regarded the Knights as the personal representatives of the Galactic Triumvirate.^[35] In the end, Draco and Fel rectified this shortage by appointing Master Yalta Val as the prefect of the [Imperial Knights Training Facility](#) on Coruscant. Val succeeded in boosting the Imperial Knights' numbers.^[42] In the wake of the Carreras Incident, Draco viewed the rogue Sith Darth Wredd as a threat due to his role in the destruction of the Carreras communications array and the attempted murder of Master Val. He expressed unease at the Empress's decision, at the behest of Admiral Gar Stazi, to leave Darth Wredd alone to kill the One Sith infiltrators.^[37]

As an Imperial Knight, Draco regarded his fellow Knights as brothers and sisters in arms. He regarded the murder of the Imperial Knight [Teemen Alton](#) as a serious crime against his Order and vowed to bring justice to his fallen comrade.^[42] Draco was convinced of the junk dealer [Ania Solo](#)'s guilt in the alleged murder of Alton until his fellow Knights Val and Jao Assam presented evidence that exonerated her. Due to his adherence to the rule of law, Draco was forced to release Ania. However, he did not hesitate to carry out the Empress' orders to imprison Jao for deserting the Imperial Knights, a charge which carried the death penalty.^[44] When Ania tried to plead for clemency on Jao's behalf, Draco was confident that the Empress would not change her mind on that matter.^[45] Draco's feelings towards Ania improved after she saved his life during the Battle of the Floating World and he allowed her to visit Empress Fel.^[47]

Relationships [Edit](#)

Marasiah Fel [Edit](#)

"That the person I cared about more than my vows as a Knight, than my fealty to your father, more than my loyalty to the Empire was in danger. I was thinking of you. I love you, Sia."

"I know."

—Draco and Marasiah on Vendaxa

During the Second Imperial Civil War, Draco was in love with Marasiah Fel, the daughter of his Emperor and a fellow Imperial Knight. On one occasion, Draco claimed that he cared about her more than his vows as a Knight, his fealty to her father, or his loyalty to the Empire. His feelings for her were enough to prompt him to disobey the Emperor's orders when she was in danger^[12] and to unwaveringly obey his orders when doing so might convince the Emperor to let Draco marry her.^[23] After being told to forget the idea of marrying her,^[13] Draco spent weeks sulking and, influenced by the Emperor, told Marasiah that he did not believe that they could pursue a relationship. She, however, had no intention of letting her father run her personal life and made it clear that his feelings for her were reciprocated.^[17] When Draco obeyed his duty to the Emperor and ferried Fel away from forces of the One Sith on Agamar, leaving Marasiah behind in the process,^[28] it caused Draco a large amount of anger. He rescued her from the clutches of the Sith and was willing to die protecting her, at peace with the knowledge that his death would keep her safe.^{[4][29]} Draco did not die, but was taken captive by the Sith, and only began telling them information about the Jedi when he believed Marasiah's life to be in danger.^[10]

Marasiah surprises
Draco with a kiss.

Following the defeat of the One Sith, Draco continued his relationship with Marasiah Fel. Fel viewed Draco as someone she could lean on during her moments of doubts and stress. On one occasion, he assured her that he had never known her to be anything less than strong after discussing the manpower shortages facing the Imperial Knights.^[35] While Draco respected and loved his Empress, he still did not hesitate to disagree with her. On one occasion, he expressed concerns about her decision to leave the rogue Sith Darth Wredd alone.^[38] Prior to the Battle of the Floating World, he advised his liege to remain aboard the Star Destroyer since without her, the Order would have nothing to fight for. Despite Fel's combat prowess

and enthusiasm, she acquiesced to Draco's request; knowing her importance to the Imperial Knights. The bond between Draco and Fel was sufficient enough for the latter to enter the battlefield after Draco was attacked and wounded by a Sith combatant.^[47]

Powers and abilities Edit

"Come, you hounds of the dark! Come to your deaths! Hurl your power at me! I deny you! I defy you! I am a Knight of the Empire, and I am your doom!"

—Draco, while battling a legion of Sith on Korriban

A powerful Force-user,^[5] Draco was extremely skilled both with a lightsaber and behind the controls of a starfighter.^{[1][8]} He was said to be a competent and cunning warrior^[5] and proved this claim on several occasions, aiding in fighting off legions of Sith on Vendaxa,^[12] Agamar,^[28] and Taivas,^[32] and singlehandedly cutting down a large group of Sith on Korriban.^[29] Draco was skilled with various uses of the Force, including telekinesis,^{[7][14]} sensing disturbances in the Force,^[15] and the **Force shield** talent.^[5] Although he usually fought with a single lightsaber,^{[12][21][28]} he was able to effectively **use two**, even when one had **dual blades**. He defeated Eshkar Niin in lightsaber combat once, but Niin, by then Darth Havok, bested him in their second duel, subduing Draco with Force lightning.^[29] Draco had a strong will and resisted Havok's subsequent torture for long periods of time, refusing to betray Imperial secrets in the face of physical agony.^[30]

Behind the scenes Edit

The character of Antares Draco was created by **John Ostrander** and **Jan Duursema** for the **comic book** series *Star Wars: Legacy*, and, along with the Imperial Knights in general, was first revealed in *Legacy's* **Issue 0**, released in **June 2006**.^[1] He went on to make his first appearance in the **third issue** of the series,^[11] and played a prominent role as a major character in *Legacy* throughout the duration of its fifty-issue run.^{[7][29][14][19][22][23][27][28]} He also had a major role in *Legacy's* followup miniseries, *Star Wars: Legacy—War*.^[49] Narrative text in *Legacy's* **forty-ninth issue** refers to him as "Draco Antares",^[4] and the introduction to **the following issue** calls him "Antares Draco Antares".^[29]

Although Draco's age has not been confirmed in **canon**, Duursema has indicated that he was seventeen or eighteen in 130 ABY and twenty-four or twenty-five in 137 ABY. She acknowledged that it was a good question as to why he was the leader of the Imperial Knights at such a young age and indicated that she and Ostrander do have ideas of how to address that question within *Legacy's* story.^[50] She has also stated that Draco was trained by Roan Fel, but this too has never been confirmed in canon.^[51] Duursema has based Draco's appearance off of model **Doug Wangler**.^[52]

Hasbro's action figure (left) and Wizards of the Coast's miniature (right)

In **2009**, the *Legacy Era Campaign Guide* was published by **Wizards of the Coast** and mentioned that Draco was the descendant of a member of the

Imperial Inquisitorius who served under **Palpatine**, Emperor of the Galactic Empire.^[5] Although the specific familial bond was not identified, the implication nevertheless exists that the ancestor in question was **Valin Draco**, an idea that has been speculated on by fans.^[53]

In **2008**, Draco received his own miniature figurine as part of the *Legacy of the Force* set of **Star Wars Miniatures**,^[54] as well as his own action figure. **Hasbro**, as part of its *Legacy Collection comic packs*, released Draco and Ganner Krieg as 3 ¾ inch action figures, packaged with **Issue 6** of *Legacy*.^[55]

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- [Legacy 3: Broken, Part 3](#) (First appearance)
- [Legacy 6: Broken, Part 5](#)
- [Legacy 7: Broken, Part 6](#)
- [Star Wars: Legacy: Trust Issues](#)
- [Legacy 12: Ghosts, Part 2](#) (Indirect mention only)
- [Legacy 13: Ready to Die](#)
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- [Legacy 35: Storms, Part 2](#)
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- [Legacy 43: Monster, Part 1](#)
- [Legacy 44: Monster, Part 2](#) (Mentioned only)
- [Legacy 45: Monster, Part 3](#)
- [Legacy 46: Monster, Part 4](#)
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